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Concessions to copyists of the Revenue Department.

* 319 *Q.*—SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the copyists of the Revenue department are not given the concession regarding—

(1) pensions,

(2) leave allowance,

(3) house-rent allowance,

while copyists employed in the Judicial department are entitled to the above emoluments; and

(*b*) if so, what are the reasons for the distinction?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—
"(*a*) & (*b*) Copyists of the Revenue Department are not given the concessions regarding pension, leave allowance and House Rent Allowance. Copyists employed in the Civil Judicial Department are however allowed pension and leave allowance, but not House Rent Allowance.

"With the abolition of the Zamindaris and the introduction of the Scheme of Separation of the Judiciary from the Executive in many districts, there is little need for copyists, or at any rate for whole-time copyists, in the Revenue Department. Many of the Revenue Department Copyists have been absorbed in the Judicial Department in the districts where the separation scheme has been introduced. It has been decided to extend the concessions already admissible to the copyists of the Civil Judicial Department to those in the Judicial Magistrates' Courts under the separation scheme also. The orders have not been issued pending receipt of certain particulars from the High Court. When these orders are issued, such copyists will be eligible for the concessions admissible to the Judicial Department copyists. As it is not possible to forecast with accuracy the number of whole-time copyists if any, that will be retained in the Revenue Department and the average emoluments they are likely to earn after the separation scheme has been extended throughout the State, the Government have deferred consideration of the question of granting pensionary and leave benefits to the Revenue Department copyists till the scheme of separation of the Judiciary from the Executive is extended completely in the whole State."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI:—"Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that copyists in the Civil Judicial Department are drafted mainly from the Revenue Department? Will the Government therefore consider the desirability of granting them the House Allowance, as in the case of other Government servants?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—
"I shall examine, Sir."